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RHODE ISLAND RECEIVES OVER \$5.7 MILLION FOR ASSISTANCE TO THE HOMELESS

WASHINGTON, DC – U.S. Senator Lincoln Chafee was recently notified that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has awarded Rhode Island a total of \$5,774,978 in assistance to homeless individuals, as part of both the Continuum of Care (COC) and the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) programs. The COC is a competitive program providing funding for transitional and permanent housing as well as a variety of supportive services. ESG provides funds for homeless prevention and emergency assistance. Within these programs, grants have been awarded to 24 recipients.

“With this substantial award, many programs can continue their vital work helping homeless persons get back on their feet. I am pleased that the efforts of these operations have been recognized and I applaud the Department of Housing and Urban Development in their decision to allocate monies to 24 programs across Rhode Island,” Senator Chafee said.

Within the COC, 20 projects received funding, totaling \$5,033,733. Noteworthy awards include \$787,392 for the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation, \$680,269 for Travelers Aid of Rhode Island, and \$451,901 for Advent House, Inc. These fiscal year 2004 funds were awarded in an annual national competition.

The remaining \$741,245 was allocated as a part of the ESG program, and funds will be distributed to the cities of Providence (\$248,423), Pawtucket (\$90,416), and Woonsocket (\$58,704), in addition to the Rhode Island State Program, which received \$343,702.

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